

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 27: LIBRARIES, HISTORY, CULTURE AND ART
Chapter 4: REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEMS

§110. DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings. [1989, c. 700, Pt. B, §24 (AMD).]

1. Appeals board. "Appeals board" means the Maine Library Commission acting, on request from interested citizens, as a board of review for decisions made concerning the State's library plan.

[1973, c. 626, §6 (NEW) .]

2. Area reference and resource center. "Area reference and resource center" means a large public, school or academic library designated by the State Librarian and receiving state aid for the purposes of making its resources and services available without charge to all residents of the district, of providing supplementary library services to local libraries within the district and of coordinating the services of all local libraries within the district that by contract become part of the library district.

[1991, c. 2, §101 (COR) .]

3. Common borrower's card. "Common borrower's card" means a system of personal identification for the purpose of borrowing and returning books and other materials from any library that participates in the regional system.

[1973, c. 626, §6 (NEW) .]

4. District consultant. "District consultant" means one who acts as a general library consultant to one or more districts.

[1977, c. 125, §1 (AMD) .]

5. District council. "District council" means an advisory body representing a constituency of participating libraries within a geographical district.

[1981, c. 464, §29 (RPR) .]

6. District plan. "District plan" in entirety means a statement describing the specific purposes for which the district is formed, the means and the agencies by which such purposes are to be accomplished, and an estimate of the funds necessary to their accomplishment; also the public agency which is to receive those funds.

[1973, c. 626, §6 (NEW) .]

7. Library district. "Library district" means a defined geographic area consisting of local libraries joined cooperatively to an area reference and resource center and a research center. Local libraries within the district may also be joined cooperatively with other types of libraries.

[1973, c. 626, §6 (NEW) .]

8. Local library board. "Local library board" means the body which has the authority to give administrative direction or advice to a library through its librarian.

[1973, c. 626, §6 (NEW) .]

9. Media center. "Media center" means any library utilizing print as well as extensive nonprint resources and materials.

[1973, c. 626, §6 (NEW) .]

10. Public library. "Public library" means a library freely open to all persons and receives its financial support from a municipality, private association, corporation or group. The above serves the informational, educational and recreational needs of all the residents of the area for which its governing body is responsible.

[1973, c. 626, §6 (NEW) .]

11. Regional library system. "Regional library system" means a network of library districts interrelated by formal or informal contract, for the purpose of organizing library resources and services for research, information and recreation to improve statewide library service and to serve collectively the entire population of the State.

[1973, c. 626, §6 (NEW) .]

12. Research center. "Research center" means any library designated as such by the State Librarian and receiving state aid for the purposes of making its major research collections, under such rules and regulations as are defined by its governing board and head librarian, available to the residents of the State.

[1989, c. 700, Pt. B, §25 (AMD) .]

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